ENERGY WASTE

What is light pollution costing us?

of residential electricity use in the U.S. is for outdoor lighting

Average House

Bad outdoor - lighting wastes

0.5 kilowatt-hours (kWh)

of energy per house, per night

0.5 kWh of electricity

enough energy to power a 50-inch plasma TV for 1 hour

CO₂

35%
of light is wasted
by unshielded and/or
poorly-aimed
outdoor lighting

About

SKYGLOW

is the artificial brightness of the night sky that's caused by light pollution.

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Which is about

\$10.00

spent for every man, woman, and child in the U.S. every year

About

15 million

tons of CO₂ are emitted each year in order to power residential outdoor lighting in the U.S. About

3 million

passenger cars have the same CO₂ emission rate, which is 40,000 tons per day. \$3 BILLION

This is about

per year worth of energy lost to skyglow

About

600 million

trees would need to be planted to offset that amount of carbon emission

